Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

Statewide reference center contract not renewed

State Librarian Sara Parker has notified the Kansas City Public Library the State Library will not continue its funding of the Statewide Reference Center beyond the end of the current contract, which ends September 30, 2004.

The cancellation is based on the changing nature of reference services and information needs of Missourians. How libraries and citizens use the Internet for information is a factor for libraries to consider as they plan for reference services.

State aid certifications in the mail and online

State aid certification instructions were placed in the mail last Friday for all Missouri public libraries. The mailing contains specific directions for completing the state aid and trustee list forms, which are posted on the State Library Web site at http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/certifications/stateaid.

State aid grant applications and trustee list forms are available as fillable PDF documents, so you can complete the form online, print it out, sign and notarize it, and mail it to the State Library.

If you would like a hard copy of the forms mailed to you, or if you have any problems using the online fillable forms, please contact the Library Development Division at (800) 325-0131.

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